

House Education Committee Amendment No. 1, as amended

Amendment No. 1 to HB2865

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 3077*

House Bill No. 2865

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-202(c), is amended by deleting subdivision (c)(1) in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(c)

(1) Develop a statewide master plan for future development of public higher education in Tennessee, which shall include the state technology centers. The commission shall make recommendations to the governing boards of the various institutions and the governor, as well as the general assembly, through the senate and house education committees, on the implementation of the master plan. The master plan shall be published in accordance with the rules, regulations, policies and procedures of the state publications committee. In developing the master plan, the commission shall engage the governing boards of the various institutions' regional and statewide constituencies, including elementary and secondary education, business leaders and civic leaders. The document shall contain goals that support the development of a public agenda for higher education. Goals should include but not be limited to:

(A) Increasing educational attainment levels of
Tennesseans;

(B) Improved retention and graduation rates of public
universities;

(C) Creating improved linkages with regional economic
and community development entities;

(D) Increasing degree production in areas central to the public agenda;

(E) Creating improved linkages with K-12 education to ensure that students are prepared for post-secondary education;

(F) Increasing participation in adult literacy programs; and

(G) Broadening research and development initiatives in areas central to the public agenda.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-202(c), is amended by deleting the first five (5) lines of subdivision (c)(2) and substituting instead the following:

(c)

(2) Develop policies and formulae or guidelines for fair and equitable distribution and use of public funds among the state's institutions of higher learning that is consistent with and furthers the goals of the statewide master plan, taking into account enrollment projections, recognizing institutional differences as well as similarities in function, service, academic programs, and levels of instruction. Additionally, such policies and formulae or guidelines shall also support and enhance regional collaboration and student access through financial aid, while being mindful of the funding capacity of the state;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-202(c)(2)(A), is amended by adding new language at the end of the subdivision as follows:

The commission shall review and revise the current formulae and provide the senate and house education committees with a report on progress made during each session of the 104th General Assembly. The formulae shall be utilized to determine the higher education appropriations recommendation no later than the 2006-2007 fiscal year.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

